### West Main Street Realignment Project – Phase 2

Public Open House – March 13, 2019



# West Main Realignment Project Background

#### **Background Summary:**

- Public Outreach 2009-2013 including Open Houses, Stakeholder/Property Owner Meetings, City Council Workshops/Meetings
- City Council selection of Corridor Concept Design: Alternative 3A March 2010
- Divided into Phases for Design and Construction for funding purposes
- Phase 1 Final Design Complete 2013
- Phase 1 Construction Complete 2014



# West Main Realignment Project Background - Corridor Study

#### Issues discussed during Corridor Study:

- Attention to pedestrian safety and amenities
- Safe access to existing Main Street
- Preservation of the existing commercial corridor (location of crossover)
- North or south widening on Catlin
- Seek opportunities to enhance economic development
- Focus on planned land uses in the long term
- Aggressively pursue available funding
- Employ phasing strategy to address costs and funding



# West Main Realignment Project Background - Corridor Study

#### Selected Corridor Realignment Concept (Alternative 3A)





# West Main Realignment Project Background – Corridor Study

Design and Construction – Divided into 2 Phases:

#### Phase 1 (Completed 2014):

- West Main/Catlin 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues (including 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. Intersection)
- Interim 3-lane section along Catlin Street
- Interim Cowlitz Way/Catlin Intersection

#### Phase 2 (Complete Remaining Corridor Improvements):

- Widen Catlin for additional travel lanes east of 4<sup>th</sup> through Cowlitz Way intersection
- Include bike lanes, sidewalks, drainage facilities, modified traffic signals



Phase 2 Scope of Work (currently in design):

- Widen Catlin for additional travel lanes east of 4<sup>th</sup> through Cowlitz Way intersection
- Includes sidewalks, bike lanes, lighting, landscaping
- Also new drainage facilities, utility relocations, median curb
- Traffic signal upgrades at 5<sup>th</sup>, Cowlitz Way intersections
- May also include sound walls where required by WSDOT standards

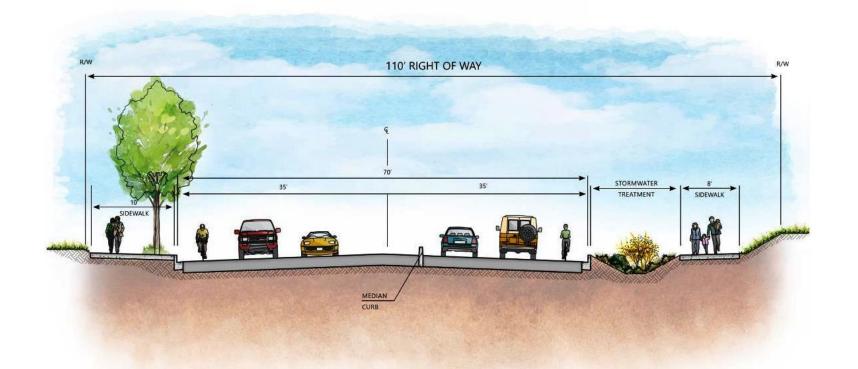


#### Phase 2 – Preliminary Plan





#### Phase 2 – Typical Street Cross-Section







### West Main Realignment Project Phase 2 Estimated Cost

#### Phase 2 – Estimated Cost (Preliminary Design Stage):

- Engineering/Environmental Approvals \$ 500,000
- Right-of-Way Acquisition \$ 5,300,000
  (Includes relocation, re-establishment, feesimple acquisition costs)
- Construction \$ 4,800,000
- Total \$10,600,000



## West Main Realignment Project Phase 2 Status

#### **Current Status:**

- Preliminary Design in Process
- Coordinating Design with WSDOT / Longview
- Utility Relocation Coordination
- Environmental Documentation Approved
- Starting Right-of-Way Acquisition Process



### West Main Realignment Project Phase 2 – Right-of-Way Process

Uniform Act requires that the City negotiate with property owners in good faith, as follows:

- State licensed appraiser and review appraiser establish just compensation
- Agent presents offer in-person, whenever possible
- Owner has choice to have offer reviewed by third party appraiser, at no cost
- Agent maintains diary of communications, counter-offers and purchase agreement terms
- Goal is to establish fair settlement between City and property owner



### West Main Realignment Project Phase 2 – Right-of-Way Process

#### Residential Relocation Assistance:

- Minimize hardship and treat all persons directly affected by relocations in a fair, uniform and equitable manner
- Notices written in plain, understandable terms
- Agent meets personally with persons directly affected by relocation
- Agent determines eligibility for relocation benefits
- Agent conducts search for replacement dwelling
- Obtain bids for moving costs
- Coordinate move with persons directly affected by relocation
- Prepare reimbursement claims and submit to City



## West Main Realignment Project Phase 2 Schedule

#### Next Steps:

Complete Preliminary Design	Spring 2019
Environmental Clearances	Spring 2019
Start Right-of-Way Acquisition	Spring 2019
Complete Final Design/Permits	Winter 2019
Start Construction	Summer 2020/Spring 2021



Questions?

